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SUBJECT: AIG: LEFEVRE CASE

1. NOTTINGHAM, AF REGIONAL MANAGER OF THE AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP TELEPHONED AF/W MAY 15 TO SAY THE COMPANY HAS DECIDED TO APPLY TO MAGISTRATE FOR PERMISSION FOR LEFEVRE TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY. THE APPEAL WILL PROBABLY BE BASED IN PART ON A STATEMENT BY LEFEVRE'S MOTHER'S DOCTOR THAT HER HEALTH IS NOT GOOD AND WOULD BE MATERIALLY IMPROVED BY OPPORTUNITY TO SEE LEFEVRE. CERTIFICATE FROM DOCTOR WILL BE SENT TO AF/W IN TIME TO BE POUCHED TO LAGOS ON MAY 18.

2. AIG HAS ALSO DECIDED TO SEND BROWER (AIG ATTORNEY FROM WHITE AND CASE) BACK TO LAGOS. BROWER INFORMS US HE WILL ARRIVE THURSDAY, MAY 25 ON BRITISH CALEDONIA 363, ETA 1815. HE WILL GO STRAIGHT TO LEFEVRE'S HOUSE AND HOPES TO SEE EMBASSY OFFICIALS AND PERHAPS ROTIMI WILLIAMS THE FOLLOWING
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3. BROWER ASKS THAT, IF POSSIBLE, THE EMBASSY GET BACK IN TOUCH WITH POLICE INSPECTOR YUSUF AND TELL HIM THAT THE COMPANY HAS DECIDED TO ADOPT THE SUGGESTION YUSUF MADE IN HIS LAST CONVERSATION WITH THE EMBASSY AND APPLY TO A

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MAGISTRATE FOR PERMISSION FOR LEFEVRE TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY. BROWER SAYS THAT THE NORMAL PROCEDURE IN SUCH CASES IS FOR THE MAGISTRATE TO REQUEST THE VIEWS OF THE PROSECUTION. IF THE PROSECUTION AGREES THAT THE REQUEST IS REASONABLE, THE CHANCES THAT HE WILL GRANT THE NECESSARY PERMISSION WOULD BE MUCH GREATER. BROWER SUGGESTS THAT YUSUF MIGHT BE PERSUADED TO TELL THE PROSECUTION THAT THE POLICE WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO LEFEVRE DEPARTING THE COUNTRY.

4. IF A SUITABLE OPPORTUNITY ARISES, THE EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE THE ABOVE POINTS TO YUSUF.

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